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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF DEFENSE MOBILIZATION

DEFENSE MOBILIZATION ORDER NO.

SUBJECT: Application of National Industrial Dispersion Standards to Facilities of the Executive Branch

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Reorganization Plan No. 3, 1953, Executive Order 10438, and Executive Order 10480, it is hereby ordered:

1. <u>Location of Facilities</u>. New construction shall be undertaken, and additional space shall be acquired for any Executive Branch agency only when located 10 or more miles from a target zone, major military installation or other critical facility.

2. Definitions.

- a. A target zone is a densely populated or highly industrialized section of an urban area determined by the Department of Commerce in accordance with the formula set forth in the Industrial Dispersion Guidebook for Communities, (Domestic Commerce Series No. 31).
- b. Major military installations and critical facilities are those installations determined to be probable targets for nuclear attack.
- 3. Exceptions. In unusual circumstances exceptions may be made by the head of any agency having authority to construct facilities or acquire space; provided, exceptions are supported by his finding that the nature of the activity for which a facility is to be used requires it; and provided further, exceptions are approved by the Secretary of Commerce.
- 4. Assignment of Responsibility. The Secretary of Commerce shall be responsible for determining whether proposed locations are in compliance with dispersion standards.

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